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# EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

## FACULTY SENATE

Minutes of January 10, 1972

MEMBERS PRESENT: Downs, Elliott, Hattabaugh, Katsimpalis, Kluge, Lenihan, Maurer, Owens, Read, S. Smith, Trank, Whalin, Whitlow, Shuff, Barford

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STUDENT OBSERVERS: Alan Grosboll, Mary Ann Hayes

The regular weekly meeting of the Faculty Senate was held on Monday, January 10, 1972, at 12:00 noon, in the Heritage Room of the University Union. The minutes of the regular meeting of January 3, 1972, were approved as published after the omission of agenda item number 14 was noted.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

#### Executive Committee

1. Mr. Whitlow announced that Mr. Downs will serve as a member of the Buildings and Grounds Committee replacing Mr. Elliott.
2. The Insurance Committee has been invited to discuss the proposed change in the group life insurance carriers at the January 24th meeting of the Faculty Senate.
3. The committee recommended that a general faculty meeting be held on Thursday, January 13, to allow faculty members to raise questions and offer comments on the report made by the ad hoc Committee on Election of Department Chairman. Hattabaugh moved, seconded by Trank, that the Senate approve the recommendation. The motion passed with 11 yes, 0 no, and one abstention.

### COMMUNICATIONS

1. Received from Dean Coleman a memorandum in which he raised several questions on the topic of election of department chairmen.
2. Received a memorandum from Dr. White, a member of the Faculty Advisory Committee to the Board of Higher Education, which summarized the Board's "Planning Session" held on December 15, 1971, at Illinois State University.
3. Received a copy of a letter from President Fite to Dr. Jocums which stated that written reasons for Dr. Jocum's non-retention will be given soon.
4. Received a copy of a letter from the student Senate to Dr. Fite requesting a compromise be accepted on the "make-up" of the Athletic Board.

5. Copies of the Student Senate meeting of December 17 were received.
6. Received a memorandum from Dr. Strandberg concerning teacher evaluation. Attached to the memorandum was a copy of an article entitled, "The Development, Evaluation, and Utilization of a Departmental Faculty Appraisal System." The article was referred to the Student-Faculty Relations Committee.
7. Received a copy of the minutes of the Employee Advisory Committee to State University Retirement System.
8. Minutes from the October 30, 1971, meeting of the University Retirement Board were received.

## OLD BUSINESS

### 1. Election of Department Chairmen

Mr. Whitlow asked that no formal action be taken on this matter until after the faculty has had an opportunity to offer questions and comments at the general faculty meeting which will be held on Thursday, January 13, 1972, in Room 216 of the Old Science Building.

The number of consecutive terms a person would be allowed to serve once he were elected was, again, the topic of much discussion. This discussion included proposals ranging from 3, two-year terms to unlimited tenure for department chairmen.

The following recommendations made by the ad hoc Committee on Selecting Department Chairmen is to be added to Section I of the original report (published in the November 15 minutes):

"The following positions are not included in this policy statement: Principal of the Laboratory School, Deans, Directors, and Chairmen of Divisions."

Maurer distributed to the Senate the following statement which he intends to add to his proposed amendment of Section Ia of the original report:

"If the department cannot secure a two-thirds majority for any chairman candidate, the University President, in consultation with the appropriate Dean, Provost, and University Personnel Committee, shall appoint a Chairman for a one year term."

After considerable discussion pertaining to the date on which a newly elected department chairman would begin his duties, a recommendation was made that the following statement be added to the Timing of Elections section of the original report:

"The newly elected chairman shall take office at the beginning of the next regular contract year."

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Whalin announced that the University Budget Committee would meet on Tuesday, January 11, 1972, to discuss the FY 73 budget.

The meeting adjourned at 1:50 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Faculty Senate will be held in the Heritage Room of the University Union at 12 noon, Monday, January 17, 1972.

AGENDA

1. Sabbatical Leave Policy
2. Department Chairmen
3. Insurance Committee Report
4. Personnel Matters
  - a. Interim-to-tenure policy
  - b. Promotion
  - c. Tenure
  - d. Dismissal
  - e. Election of Department Chairmen
5. Classroom Visitation
6. Registration
7. Creation and Selection of Administrative Positions
8. Recognition of Retiring Faculty
9. Summer Rotation Plan
10. Teacher Evaluation
11. Composition of Apportionment Board
12. Eastern's Graduated Tuition Plan
13. By-Laws
14. Improvement of College Teaching

Tom Elliott  
Secretary